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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The remarks herein are in response to an Election/Restriction Requirement mailed on November 9, 2005, which requires restriction between two groups of claims and election between several alleged species. Group I includes Claims 12-19 and Group II includes Claims 20-24. In particular, the alleged species include Species I (Figures 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b, 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b), Species II (Figures 5a, 5b), Species III (Figure 6), and Species IV (Figure 7).

Applicant provisionally elects with traverse Group I and Species I. In particular, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Claims 12-19, and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims. Applicant submits that at least Claims 12-19 are readable on the provisionally elected Species I.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

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It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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